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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Subject: Meeting with Members of the Survey and Investigations Team of the House Appropriations Committee on Proposed Inquiry into Overseas Bases and Facilities

STAT 1. [redacted] OCA, [redacted] Office of Logistics, and I met with Bob Goffus and Randy Adams, members of the House Appropriations Committee's Survey and Investigations Team looking into intelligence bases and facilities on 12 July 1989. The meeting was requested by Mr. Goffus to clarify the purpose of the inquiry and to seek our assistance in determining who should be contacted and how the team should proceed. Mr. Goffus indicated that the inquiry had been officially designated "The Base Structure and Facility Requirements for Intelligence Programs of the Secretary of Defense and the Director of Central Intelligence." He said that Representative John Murtha (D., Pa), Defense Subcommittee, HAC, had wanted the inquiry undertaken so that if pressure developed to close intelligence facilities the information would be at hand. Representative Murtha was afraid that GAO might be commissioned to do a similar study and he wanted to avoid that type of intrusion into this area. Mr. Goffus said that the inquiry would look at the real property holdings of the Secretary of Defense and the DCI for intelligence activities and try to determine the degree to which they are being effectively used. The team would be looking for potential savings that could result from consolidations or from reductions in these holdings.

2. There was some discussion about the type of facilities that would be included in the study.
STAT [redacted] indicated that the Agency had more than [redacted] facilities in the US and overseas, ranging from safe houses and buildings to warehouses. Mr. Goffus was asked 25X1

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3. Mr. Goffus said that he recognized the sensitivity that might exist about having the team look at certain types of facilities and indicated his willingness to work with the Agency in determining which ones should not be visited.

STAT [redacted] suggested that it might be more orderly to develop a list of our holdings broken down by a major category such as warehouse, communications facility, office building, etc. and then review the list to determine which ones might be visited. Mr. Goffus indicated his willingness to take that approach or any other that we thought helpful.

STAT I said that after [redacted] developed his list that we would get back together with the Survey Team along with representatives of the affected components to discuss how they might proceed and potential problem areas. Mr. Goffus was agreeable to this approach.

4. Mr. Goffus indicated that the team would be talking next with the Department of Defense, NSA, and DIA about the survey and getting their reaction as well. He said that they had been given a year to complete their study and that an interim report was due to the HAC in February. He acknowledged that it would be difficult to complete the inquiry in this time frame because of the large number of facilities that had to be reviewed and visited. He indicated that the team would be traveling a lot and would welcome having Agency personnel come with them. He said that the team would have two other members which were in the process of getting the proper clearances: Bob Rebein formerly an inspector for the Internal Revenue Service, and John Clynick, previously with the FBI.

5. Mr. Goffus was very accommodating throughout the discussion and seemed willing to negotiate any sensitive issues that might be encountered. He indicated his willingness throughout the conversation to work with the Agency in developing a reasonable approach to this study.

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He obviously had been sensitized to the possible problems that he might face in visiting our facilities; he seemed willing to accommodate our concerns. We agreed that we would get back together after we had a list of facilities and discuss how to proceed.

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